

*A<sup>3</sup>*  
10. (Amended) The compound according to claim 8 wherein R<sup>1</sup> is a C2-C9 straight or branched alkylene optionally substituted with alkylene, a prodrug of itself, a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof or a solvate thereof.

11. (Amended) The compound according to claim 8, wherein R<sup>1</sup> is a C2-C9 straight alkylene substituted with alkylene, or a C2-C9 branched alkylene, a prodrug of itself, a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof or a solvate thereof.

12. (Amended) The compound according to claim 8 wherein R<sup>6</sup> is alkoxy or alkylthio, and R<sup>7</sup> is optionally substituted aryl, a prodrug of itself, a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof or a solvate thereof.

13. (Amended) The compound according to claim 8 wherein R<sup>3</sup> and R<sup>4</sup> each is independently hydrogen, alkyl, alkoxy or alkylthio, and A is optionally substituted aromatic carbocycle, a prodrug of itself, a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof or a solvate thereof.

*A<sup>4</sup>*  
15. (Amended) A pharmaceutical composition which comprises the compound according to claim 8, a prodrug of itself, a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof or a solvate thereof.

*Please cancel claims 24 to 26 without prejudice to the subject matter thereof.*